

Sarasota Middle School - PTSO Minutes – October 1, 2020

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Summary of Events

1. Zoom meeting began, welcomed all by Colleen Hillerich
2. Took attendance for October 1, 2020 meeting, 34 zoom windows visible
3. Principals report given by Dr. Breslin. Discussed benefits of virtual meetings. Talked about SMS youtube channel use by administration. Additionally using the youtube channel for student run videos(clubs, civility squad, etc) to reach community. (1167 students, 400 remote learners) Videos will also be posted on SMS website. Denise Cinelli updates social media accounts and SMS website. October 19 SMS athletics will begin. Athletic forms on SMS website. Brick and mortar and remote learners are encouraged to participate. Daily announcements are listed on SMS Website. SAC chair is Brooks Tracey. "Our Community" tab is where PTSO information is listed. We are mid quarter, teachers and students are doing a great job navigating through new learning. Dr. Breslin answered questions regarding staffing issues, remote learners returning to brick and mortar, bell schedule, and lunches.
4. Colleen introduced board members present. Colleen, Elizabeth, Julie, and Mary
5. Minutes approved from February 11, 2020 meeting
6. Colleen gave treasurer's report. There was a \$2300 deficit from 2019-2020 school year. Panther Run fundraiser funds have been steadily declining. \$4500 Panther Run tshirts was the biggest expense from last year's budget, this has been cut from this year's budget. Teacher start up funds also a big expense. This year PTSO is giving \$50 start up funds, and will revisit in the Spring to see if PTSO can give an additional \$50(\$100 usually given at beginning of year, lack of fundraising this year due to COVID). Colleen has \$50 checks but is waiting on PTSO to approve budget, and will then distribute. Suzanne made a motion to approve budget, Melanie seconded. Hoping for a basketball team vs teachers' fundraiser and a pie in the face fundraiser to be held in the gym in the Spring. \$4000 from business partners have been received this year.
7. Mary gave a business partner report and explained how the business partner program works.
8. Colleen discussed Pawsitive behavior program. Name has been changed to Pawsitive Panthers. School would like PTSO to donate 25 magnets and 14 sweatshirts/pullovers for the year. PTSO agreed to donate a combo of 7 of the sweatshirts/pullovers and 25 magnets now and then revisit in January for the remaining sweatshirts/pullovers for the Pawsitive Panther program. Julie discussed deducting actual cost of spiritwear from the \$300 Pawsitive Panther PTSO budgeted amount.
9. Fundraising: Colleen discussed different fundraising ideas, spirit nights at local restaurants. We would announce on social media and a connect ed. Mary brought up virtual bingo as a

fundraising idea. Heather Wrigley asked about selling Der Dutchman Pie/Cookie Dough vouchers. Discussed selling spirit wear during carline times. Black sweatshirts and blue microfiber pullover are \$20 each, SMS magnets \$10. Discussed birthday shoutouts, \$10 donation their students name can be put on the SMS marquee for their birthday. Discussed our donation drive and the ability to pay via Paypal @ ptsopanthers@gmail.com. Email any ideas to ptsopanthers@gmail.com.

10. Colleen discussed PTSO getting prepackaged cookie gifts mailed to staff for birthdays, we will not do goodie bags as we have in years past.
11. Melanie discussed Renaissance program. Need idea on how to recognize students. Rise Pies, Culver, Gecko, Detweiler coupons were different ideas
12. Capital expenditures -water bottle fillers, on hold.
13. Dana Moretta will be helping with holiday giving. PTSO sponsors 20 families.
14. Open positions, Suzanne Shkorupa was voted in as vice president, Laura Owsianka was voted in as treasurer. Megan Olson will help with spring luncheon.
15. Box tops is changing to an online format. Reminder, there is an app that can be downloaded and anyone can take a picture of their receipt and submit. –Box Tops coordinator-Tina McVay
16. Send email to ptsopanthers@gmail.com to get emails.
17. Meeting adjourned at 11:41am.

Upcoming Events & Volunteer Opportunities

1. Next PTSO meeting will be November 5, 2020 - 10am via zoom

Get information added to upcoming meeting agenda by contacting Colleen Hillerich at ptsopanthers@gmail.com